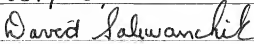


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This Amendment is being submitted to the Patent Office in response to the Office Action dated June 9, 2010. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

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